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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 08/669,286 filed on June 28, 1996, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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1. ☒ Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2. ☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

		LARGE ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY	
BASIC FEE		\$760.00		\$380.00	
NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	3-20 = 0	x 18 =	\$0.00	x 9 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2-3 = 0	x 78 =	\$0.00	x 39 =	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED		+ \$260.00		+ \$135.00	
TOTAL		\$760.00		\$0.00	

3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$760.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- a. ☐ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional of co-pending Application No. 08/669,286, filed on June 28, 1996, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--
- b. ☒ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional of co-pending Application No. 08/669,286, filed on June 28, 1996. Application No. 08/669,286 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP94/02227 filed on December 27, 1994 under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference.--
6. ☐ Transfer the drawings/photographs from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.

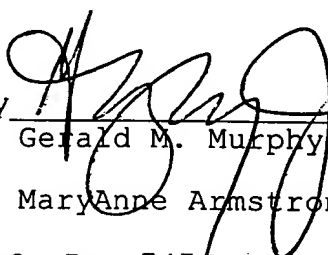
- ✓ 7. ☒ Enclosed are thirteen (13) sheets of formal drawings and/or photographs.
8. ☐ A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 08/669,286 on \_\_\_\_\_. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
9. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Chugai Seiyaku Kabushiki Kaisha.
- ✓ 10. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 11a. ☐ Priority of Application No(s). \_\_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11b. ☒ Priority of International Appln. PCT/94/02227 filed on December 27, 1994 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Japanese Application Nos. 5-355112, 6-160236, and 6-340692 filed in Japan on December 28, 1993, July 12, 1994, and December 20, 1994, respectively under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
- ✓ 12. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
13. ☒ Address all future communications to:  
  
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14. ☐ An extension of time for \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) month(s) until \_\_\_\_\_ has been submitted in parent Application No. 08/669,286 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
15. ☐ Also enclosed herewith is the following:  
  
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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